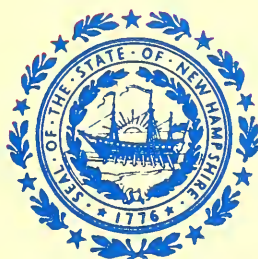


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TOWN WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs.

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, 1976, polls to be open for voting on Articles 1 and 2 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, with action on the remaining articles to be taken commencing at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon.

1. Do you approve of having two sessions for the annual Town Meeting in this town, the first session for choice of Town Officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot and the second session on a date set by the Selectmen for transaction of other business? (By petition) (This question will be on the official ballot for this meeting.)

2. To choose by nonpartisan ballot all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and to make appropriations for same.

4. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Poor and Old Age Assistance.

5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for repairing highways and bridges for the ensuing year, and make appropriations for same.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$27.00 as its share of the cost of publicizing and promoting the natural attractions of the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$486.92 in order to secure from the State the sum of \$3,246.16 to be expended for town road aid.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for repairs to the Town Hall and other town buildings.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400.00 for the Forest and Fire Department.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$500.00 to the Rumney Fire Department for fire protection from March 1, 1976 to March 1, 1977.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for snow removal and road equipment.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$10.00 to purchase flags to place at the graves of our veterans in Dorchester.

14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell and convey or otherwise dispose of any real estate or mineral rights acquired by the Town by any Tax Collector's deed.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$750.00 for the purpose of making arrangements for the use of a disposal area for garbage and rubbish, for the use of Dorchester residents.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for expenses of the Town Hall and other buildings.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budget appropriations in the amounts indicated; and, further to the Selectmen to make pro rata reductions in the amounts if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon:

To pay balance on bridge-109-151
Balance to be used for Road Maintenance

18. To see if the Town, pursuant to R.S.A. 31:105, will vote to indemnify and save harmless any officer or employee of the Town, for loss or damage occurring after this vote, including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgement by reason of

negligence or any other act resulting in accidental injury to a person or accidental damage to or destruction of property while such officer or employee is acting within the scope of his employment or office.

19. To see if the Town will vote to establish a planning board of five members, one of whom shall be a Selectman to be chosen by the Selectmen to act as ex-officio member, and four other citizens of the town to be appointed by the Selectmen, which planning board shall have all powers and duties as set forth in R.S.A. 36:1-18.

20. In the event of an affirmative vote on Article 19, to see if the Town will vote to adopt the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Dorchester Town Planning Board is hereby authorized and empowered, in accordance with R.S.A. 36:19, to approve or disapprove, at its discretion, plans showing streets or the widening thereof, or parks; that said planning board is further authorized and empowered, after holding a public hearing as required by law, to adopt regulations governing the subdivision of land within the Town of Dorchester in accordance with the provisions of R.S.A. 36:19-24, and that it will be the duty of the Town Clerk to file with the Register of Deeds for Grafton County at Woodsville, New Hampshire, an appropriate certificate or notice showing that the planning board has been authorized to adopt subdivision regulations, giving the date of such authorization.

21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for the support of the Dorchester Community Library.

22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$200.00 for the support of the Cemetery Fund.

23. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$350.00 in order to support the work of the Mascoma Area Health Council within the Town.

24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for participation in the Baker River Audio Visual Center established by the Federal Grant in 1974.

25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Director of Civil Defense.

26. To see if the Town will vote to create a Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of fire-fighting equipment.

27. In the event of an affirmative vote on Article 26, to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000.00 to add to the Capital Reserve Fund for the purchase of fire-fighting equipment.

28. To see if the Town will vote to join the regional planning commission, now organized and named the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$131.00 as the Town's share of the annual operating expenses of the regional planning commission to be used in conjunction with other state and federal funds available for planning purposes.

29. To see if the Town will permit the Cemetery Committee to remove the stone wall from around the old part of the Dorchester Cemetery to make it easier to mow and care for said cemetery.

30. To see if the Town will permit the building of a belfry on the Red School House Museum to hold the bell from the North Dorchester School House which was presented to the museum by the late A. T. Sawyer; said construction to be approved by the Selectmen.

31. To hear reports of agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen and to pass any vote relating thereto.

32. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 4th day of February, 1976.

ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALBERT B. CARTER
CHARLES I. WALKER
Selectmen of Dorchester, N.H.

A true copy

ATTEST:

ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALBERT B. CARTER
CHARLES I. WALKER
Selectmen of Dorchester

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

Ernest J. Hanley, '76

Charles I. Walker, '78

Albert B. Carter, '76

Moderator

Alexander Lennox, Jr.

Tax Collector

Delbert B. Gray

Town Clerk

Nellie M. Ashley

Treasurer

Nella H. Ashley

Road Agent

Raymond E. Conkey

Forest Fire Warden

Richard P. Carter

Health Officer

Alfred E. Ashley

Relief Agent

Kenneth L. Hall, Jr.

Police Officer and Dog Constable

Larry H. Walker

Deputy

Clyde C. Kimball

Ernest E. Marsh, Jr.

Trustees of Trust Funds

James T. Day, '76

Lynda L. Boehm, '77

Rita T. Butcher, '78

Supervisors of Check Lists

Eric H. Bergstrom, '76

Marion E. Delsart, '80

Margaret M. Lennox, '78

Auditors

Matilda M. Ernst

Mary Carroll Abell

Cemetery Committee

Nella H. Ashley, Chairman

Martha L. Walker

Eric H. Bergstrom

Library

Peggy M. Carter, '76

Robert W. Thayer, '77

John P. King, '78

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land	\$438,081.50	
Buildings	578,450.00	
Electric Poles & Fixtures	14,400.00	
House Trailers (16)	<u>37,350.00</u>	
Total Valuation		\$1,068,281.50
Property Exemption R.S.A. 72:39	<u>-18,500.00</u>	
Total Exemption		<u>-18,500.00</u>
NET VALUATION		\$1,049,781.50

Veteran's Widow Exemption from Resident Tax (2)

Tax Rate \$4.60

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description:

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,300.00
Library	2,000.00
Fire Department Equipment	600.00
Highway Department Equipment	20,000.00
School, Land and Buildings	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$36,900.00

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF DORCHESTER, N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976 or for the Fiscal Year from January 1, 1976 to December 31, 1976.

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year 1975	Actual Expendi- tures Previous Fiscal Year 1975	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1976
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 2,371.52	\$ 2,800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	1,194.93	1,600.00
Election & Registration Expenses	400.00	549.60	700.00
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	200.00	138.51	200.00
Bounties		3.50	
Fireproof File			500.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	600.00	414.50	600.00
Fire Department	900.00	1,275.44	900.00
Insurance	1,000.00	1,145.15	1,500.00
Damages & Legal Expense	400.00	414.80	500.00
Health Department:			
Mascoma Health Council		405.00	350.00
Town Dump	600.00	600.00	750.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance-summer/winter	13,000.00	13,078.31	13,000.00
Class Five Road Money	6,961.96	6,466.40	9,196.85
Town Road Aid	492.65	492.65	486.92
Libraries	200.00	200.00	100.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	200.00		200.00
Old Age Assistance	200.00		100.00
Patriotic Purposes			
Memorial Day, etc.	10.00	8.40	10.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council			131.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.			27.00

Debt Service:

Principal & Long Term Notes	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Interest – Long Term Notes	400.00	387.13	400.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	200.00	100.00	200.00

Capital Outlay:

County Tax	3,500.00	3,134.11	3,700.00
School Tax		28,000.91	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds			
Road Equipment	2,000.00	2,000.00	1,000.00
Building Fund	200.00	200.00	200.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$37,164.61	\$64,780.86	\$41,351.77
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SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1975	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year 1975	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1975
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,862.79	\$ 2,500.00
Class V Road Money	6,961.96	6,961.96	9,196.85
Savings Bank Tax	100.00	182.51	100.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	800.00	1,184.37	1,000.00
Highway Subsidy	5,704.78	5,704.78	5,663.52
Reimbursement Forest Con- servation Aid	100.00	47.70	50.00
Reimbursement A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	150.00	160.76	150.00
Reimbursement State Forest Land		227.70	200.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	75.00	80.00	75.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	12.00	15.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	2,369.88	2,000.00
Resident Taxes Retained	800.00	1,020.00	900.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,149.23</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes (Does Not Include School Tax)	\$20,216.74	\$21,963.68	\$23,350.37
Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes			<u>18,001.40</u>
TOTAL REVENUES			\$41,351.77

FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of Treasurer Jan. 1, 1976 \$26,804.87

Total **\$ 26,804.87**

Capital Reserve Funds:

Town Cemeteries 1,474.39

Town Building Fund 902.28

Snow Removal & Road Equipment 5,599.33

Total **7,976.00**

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1974 110.08

Total **110.08**

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1975, Including Resident Taxes 1,880.19

Total **1,880.19**

GRAND TOTAL **\$ 36,771.14**

Current Surplus, December 31, 1974 9,716.40

Current Surplus, December 31, 1975 11,661.18

Increase of Surplus 1,944.78

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

School District Tax Payable 16,394.66

Tax Anticipation Notes Outstanding:

Class V Road Money 739.30

Total Accounts Owed by the Town **17,133.96**

Capital Reserve Funds

7,976.00

Total Liabilities **25,109.96**

Total Liabilities (carried forward)	\$ 25,109.96
Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	<u>11,661.18</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 36,771.14

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes — Current Year — 1975	\$47,106.04	
Resident Taxes — Current Year — 1975	830.00	
Yield Taxes — Current Year — 1975	1,123.80	
Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and Remitted		49,059.84
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes — Previous Years		894.94
Resident Taxes — Previous Years		190.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes		56.71
Penalties		20.00
Tax Sales Redeemed		222.27

From State:

For Class V Highway maintenance	6,961.96
Highway Subsidy	5,704.78
Interest and dividends tax	2,862.79
Savings Bank Tax	182.51
Reimb. a-c State and Federal forest lands 75/76	403.14
Fighting forest fires	47.70
Reimb. a-c Motor Vehicle Road Toll	161.85
Meals and Rooms Tax	1,184.37
Reimb. a-c Business Profits Tax	160.76

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	80.00
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	12.00
Rent of town property — town truck	22.00
Motor vehicle permits	<u>2,369.88</u>

Total Current Revenue Receipts \$ 70,597.50

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	10,000.00
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Total Receipts (carried forward)		\$ 70,597.50
Insurance adjustments	\$ 50.22	
Voided check	<u>5.62</u>	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		<u>10,055.84</u>
Total Receipts from All Sources		80,653.34
Cash on hand January 1, 1975		<u>22,932.58</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$103,585.92

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	2,371.52
Town Officers' Expenses	1,194.93
Election and Registration Expenses	549.60
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	138.51

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	414.50
Road Signs	120.00
Fire department, incl. forest fires	1,275.44
Bounties	3.50
Insurance	1,145.15

Health:

Health department, incl. hospitals and ambulance	405.00
Town dumps	600.00

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	492.65
Town Maintenance (Summer \$6,586.24) (Winter \$6,492.07)	13,078.31

Libraries:

200.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	8.40
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	\$ 200.00
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Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	414.80
Taxes bought by town	<u>1,880.19</u>

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$ 24,492.50
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Debt Service:**Interest on Debt:**

Paid on tax anticipation notes	100.00
Paid on long term notes	180.00
Flood disaster note	<u>207.13</u>

Total Interest Payments	487.13
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Principal of Debt:

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	10,000.00
Payments on long term notes	<u>2,000.00</u>

Total Principal Payments	12,000.00
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Capital Outlay:

Highways and Bridges — State Aid construction	6,466.40
Boat tax	.77
Payments to capital reserve funds	<u>2,200.00</u>

Total Outlay Payments	8,667.17
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Taxes paid to County	3,133.34
Payments to School Districts	<u>28,000.91</u>

Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	<u>31,134.25</u>
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Total Payments for all Purposes	76,781.05
Cash on hand December 31, 1975	<u>26,804.87</u>

GRAND TOTAL	\$103,585.92
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SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Pemigewasset National Bank	\$ 2,000.00
Pemigewasset National Bank	
Flood Disaster	<u>5,660.00</u>

Total Long Term Notes Outstanding	\$7,660.00
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RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Long Term Debt	\$9,660.00
Long Term Notes Paid	<u>2,000.00</u>
Outstanding Long Term Debt	\$7,660.00
December 31, 1975	

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ERNEST J. HANLEY
ALBERT B. CARTER
CHARLES I. WALKER
Selectmen of Dorchester

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of Principal Town Officers:

Ernest J. Hanley, Selectman	\$300.00
Charles I. Walker, Selectman	300.00
Harry P. Dustin, Selectman	300.00
Albert B. Carter, Selectman	100.00
Nellie M. Ashley, Town Clerk, Permit Fees	249.40
Nella H. Ashley, Treasurer	75.00
Delbert B. Gray, Tax Collector	997.12
Matilda M. Ernst, Auditor	25.00
Mary Carroll Abell, Auditor	25.00

Total

\$2,371.52

Town Officers Expenses:

N.H. Assessors Association dues	10.00
N.H. Town Clerk Association dues	10.00
N.H. Municipal Association dues	100.00
N.H. Tax Collectors Association dues	10.00
Clifford-Nicol, Inc., 150 Town Reports	
125 Ballots & selectmens stamp	280.05
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., office supplies	54.16
Mountain Media, notice	69.31
Postmaster of Rumney, stamps	44.00
Homestead Press, tax collectors supplies	30.95
Branham Publishing Co., auto reference book	9.20
Ernest J. Hanley, expenses	64.25
Charles I. Walker, expenses	31.35
Nella Ashley, expenses	25.00
Delbert B. Gray, expenses	283.91
Linda Boehm, expenses	10.00
Peggy Carter, clerk	152.45
Nellie Ashley, dog tax fees	7.40
To stop payment on lost check	2.00
Eric Bergstrom, stamps	.90

Total

1,194.93

Election & Registration Expenses:

Alexander Lennox, moderator	49.00
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Eric H. Bergstrom, supervisor check list	\$ 78.00
Margaret M. Lennox, supervisor check list	78.00
Marion E. Delsart, supervisor check list	66.00
Frances Merrill, ballott clerk	39.00
Arlene Carter, ballot clerk	39.00
Nellie M. Ashley, town clerk	42.00
Alfred E. Ashley, Selectman	27.00
Ernest J. Hanley, selectman	42.00
Harry P. Dustin, selectman	42.00
Charles I. Walker, selectman	15.00
Larry H. Walker, police	15.00
Mountain Media, notices	<u>17.10</u>

Total

\$ 549.60

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Receipts from Auto Permits:

3 Permits, 1974	\$ 21.15
189 Permits, 1975	<u>2,348.73</u>

\$2,369.88

Receipts from Dog Licenses:

2 Female Dogs @ \$5.00	10.00
35 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	<u>70.00</u>

80.00

Filing for Office:

12 Filings @ \$1.00	<u>12.00</u>
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Total Paid to Treasurer

\$2,461.88

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE M. ASHLEY
Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES LEVY OF 1975

—DR.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes \$47,237.14

Resident Taxes 960.00

Total Warrants \$48,197.14

Yield Taxes 1,309.23

Added Taxes:

Resident Taxes 70.00

70.00

Interest Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes 31.44

Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes 2.00

TOTAL DEBITS \$49,609.81

—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes 45,313.08

Resident Taxes 830.00

Yield Taxes 1,123.80

Interest Collected 31.44

Penalties on Resident Taxes 2.00

47,300.32

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes 131.10

131.10

Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1975:

Property Taxes	\$ 1,792.96	
Resident Taxes	200.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>185.43</u>	
		\$ 2,178.39

TOTAL CREDITS

\$49,609.81

**SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1974**

—DR.—

**Uncollected Taxes — As of
January 1, 1975:**

Property Taxes	993.19	
Resident Taxes	190.00	
Yield Taxes	<u>133.64</u>	
		1,316.83

**Interest Collected on Delinquent
Property Taxes**

19.79

Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes

18.00

TOTAL DEBITS

\$ 1,354.62

—CR.—

**Remittances to Treasurer During
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1975:**

Property Taxes	840.11	
Resident Taxes	190.00	
Yield Taxes	25.43	
Interest Collected During Year	19.79	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	<u>18.00</u>	
		1,093.33

Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 43.00	
		\$ 43.00
Uncollected Taxes – Dec. 31, 1975:		
Property Taxes	110.08	
Yield Taxes	108.21	
		218.29
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 1,354.62

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES
LEVY OF 1973

–DR.–		
Uncollected Taxes – As of Jan. 1, 1975:		
Property Taxes	29.40	
		29.40
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes:		
	5.48	
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 34.88

–CR.–		
Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1975:		
Property Taxes	29.40	
Interest Collected During Year	5.48	
		34.88
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 34.88

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1975**

—DR.—

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:
1974

Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1975	\$ 110.08
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	<u>1,792.96</u>

TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,903.04
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—CR.—

Remittances to Treasurer

During Year:

Unredeemed Taxes —
December 31, 1975

1,903.04

TOTAL CREDITS	1,903.04
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**UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES
DECEMBER 31, 1975**

Levies of 1974:

Forest and Constance Currier	\$ 73.10
Mrs. Robert Harnett	<u>36.98</u>

TOTAL	\$ 110.08
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Levies of 1975:

Ayers, George L.	101.96
Boatner, Joseph and Avis	311.67
Broderick, Arthur and Gertrude	1.08
Brown, Byron and Edith	111.81
Conkey, George and Nadine	223.04
Crosby, Mrs. Elsie	78.79
Delsart, Louis and Eleanor	193.49

Currier, Forest and Constance	\$ 136.72	
Marsh, Ernest Jr. and Georgianna	125.13	
Quimby, Brian C.	253.97	
Woodland, David and Regina	23.17	
Young, Alice L.	100.51	
Young, Ralph and Elaine	<u>131.62</u>	
TOTAL		\$1,792.96

I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1975, on account of the tax levy of 1975, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

DELBERT B. GRAY
Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts:

Cash on Hand January 1, 1975	\$22,932.58
From Tax Collector	50,443.76
From Town Clerk	2,461.88
From Selectmen	<u>27,747.70</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$103,585.92
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Payments

By order of Selectmen	<u>76,781.05</u>
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Cash on Hand December 31, 1975	\$ 26,804.87
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Revenue Sharing Fund, obligated for Bridge on Rocky Branch

1974 Balance	\$ 4,803.64
1975 Received	2,172.00
1975 Interest	<u>209.61</u>

\$ 7,185.25

Withdrawn by Selectmen for payment on Bridge	<u>3,770.02</u>
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1975	\$ 3,415.23
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Respectfully Submitted,

NELLA H. ASHLEY
Treasurer

Report of
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS
 December 31, 1975

LUCY HAZEN KIMBALL FUND

for care of the Sanborn & Mehitable Lot

Received March 1930 \$66.23

Balance in Bank 1/1/75	\$ 163.46
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Interest to 12/31/75	8.72
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	172.18
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Withdrawal	15.00
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TOTAL

\$ 157.18

PAUL HOPKINS HUTCHINSON FUND

Received December 1956 \$500.00

for care of the Benjamin R. Norris

and the Jesseman Lots

Balance in Bank 1/1/75	\$ 761.40
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Interest to 12/31/75	41.13
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	803.03
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Withdrawal	40.00
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TOTAL

\$ 763.03

SCOTT D. BURLEIGH FUND

for care of lot in Cheever Cemetery

Received September 1940 \$300.00

Balance in Bank 1/1/75	\$ 451.55
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Interest to 12/31/75	24.33
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	475.88
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Withdrawal	25.00
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TOTAL

\$ 450.88

JOHN C. DAVENPORT TRUST		
for care of lot in Dorchester Cemetery		
Received May 1975	\$100.00	
Balance 5/20/75	\$ 100.00	
Interest to 12/31/75	<u>3.30</u>	
TOTAL		\$ 103.30

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND		
for snow removal and road equipment		
Balance in Bank 1/1/75	\$3,409.24	
Interest to 12/31/75	190.09	
Received from Selectmen	<u>2,000.00</u>	
BALANCE 12/31/75		\$5,599.33

TOWN BUILDING FUND		
for repairs to Town Buildings		
Balance in Bank 1/1/75	\$ 665.54	
Interest to 12/31/75	36.74	
Received from Selectmen	<u>200.00</u>	
BALANCE 12/31/75		\$ 902.28

Respectfully submitted,

LYNDA L. BOEHM
RITA T. BUTCHER
JAMES T. DAY

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Cash Balance, January 1, 1975 \$ 216.67

Receipts:

Winter Money 2,532.72

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$ 2,749.39

Expenditures — Labor

Raymond E. Conkey \$1,108.88

George C. Conkey 99.00

James Parris 18.00

Albert B. Carter 197.25

Richard P. Carter 261.25

Labor Total

\$1,684.38

Miscellaneous Payments:

Kibbey Equipment, Inc. — blades
for plow \$ 221.49

Shortts Garage — part for truck 8.05

Interstate Machinery, Inc. — parts
for loader 10.00

Cargill, Inc. — salt 105.44

Sanborn's Repair — work on truck &
loader 265.65

Webster Motors — parts for truck 48.55

Brooks Auto Supply — oil & parts 44.10

Sanel Auto Parts — wiper for truck 2.41

Campers Rest — gas & oil 341.47

Betty Davenport — grease guns 10.00

Pemigewasset National Bank — charges 7.85

Total parts and services

\$1,065.01

TOTAL PAYMENTS

\$ 2,749.39

Checkbook Balance — March

.00

RAYMOND E. CONKEY
Road Agent

Winter Money to Road Agent**\$ 2,532.72****Expenditures – Labor**

Raymond E. Conkey	\$3,641.38	
Cushman Ainslie	582.85	
David J. Carter	588.00	
Norman Waldron	237.00	
Albert R. Conkey	216.00	
Frederick E. Landon	185.40	
George C. Conkey	141.00	
Albert B. Carter	101.13	
Lawrence J. McNeill	96.00	
Richard P. Carter	90.00	
Louis A. Delsart	36.00	
Michael A. Carter	9.00	
Ernest J. Hanley	4.50	
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Total Labor		\$5,928.26

Miscellaneous Payments:

Campers Rest – gas	\$1,191.44
Campton Sand & Gravel – cold patch	570.10
Sanborn Repair – repairs on truck & Loader	555.47
Phyllis Ashley – sandpile	403.00
Raymond Keniston – bridge plank	264.50
Internal Revenue Service – withholding	210.11
Irving MacDonald – hauling gravel	193.00
S.S. Refund	171.43
Sanel Auto Parts – parts	148.86
Wentworth Sand & Gravel – gravel	111.80
Batchelder Tree Service – use of chipper	144.00
Brooks Auto Supply – parts	138.04
Douglas Clark – moving stringers loading sander	95.00
Paquette Paving – cold patch	76.30
Webster Motors – parts & repairs	49.37
Ernest J. Hanley – use of truck	45.00
Hathorns – parts	43.25
Merrimack Farmers Exchange – plastic	40.00

Trumbull Hardware – cable & scythe	\$ 36.75	
Roy Abbott – gravel	31.50	
Interstate Machinery – parts for loader	23.95	
Chester Hinkson – dozer	20.00	
James Parris – unloading sander	20.00	
Shortts Garage – gas	15.45	
Louis Delsart – repairing chipper	10.00	
Kirby Equipment	4.75	
Bartlett Motors	4.26	
Total parts and services	\$4,617.33	
Balance on Hand, March	\$.00	
Summer Road Money	6,586.24	
Winter Road Money	6,413.76	
Total received for 1975		\$13,000.00
Expenses for 1975:		
Winter money to Road Agent	\$2,532.72	
Labor	5,928.26	
Materials	4,617.33	
Total expenses for 1975		\$13,078.31
BALANCE DEC. 31, 1975 - OVERDRAFT		78.31
Maintenance Allotment by State for Class V Highways:		
1975 Class V Allotment	\$6,961.96	
Balance 1974 Class V Allotment	243.74	
Total Class V Money for 1975		\$ 7,205.70
Reber Road – Cutting brush, putting in culverts, backhoe and dozer work, and hauling gravel.	\$4,491.90	
Cummings Pond Road – Putting in culverts, hauling gravel, grading roads and dynamiting rocks.	\$1,974.50	
Total Expenditures		\$ 6,466.40
Leaving balance of		\$ 739.30
Respectfully submitted,	ERNEST J. HANLEY ALBERT B. CARTER CHARLES I. WALKER	} Selectmen

REPORT of the FOREST FIRE WARDEN and DISTRICT CHIEF

Upon the recommendation of town selectmen and city councils, the Division of Forests and Lands appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town and city every three years. The town or city warden is responsible for maintaining a force of men and adequate equipment to suppress any wildfire that occurs in his town or city during his term of appointment. The fire warden must authorize all open burning when the ground is not covered with snow. No open fires can be authorized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., unless it is raining, without the additional permission of the state district fire chief.

Any person wishing to kindle an open fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the forest fire warden. Camp and cooking fires also require the warden's permission.

The Division of Forests and Lands, through its Forest Fire Service, assists all cities and towns in meeting these requirements by training the warden and deputy forces in wildfire suppression tactics, making hand tool suppression equipment available at fifty percent of cost, supplying pieces of Federal excess property for use as fire attack vehicles and sharing up to fifty percent of the cost of wildfire suppression costs.

Wildfire prevention is also a joint state, city or town program. Smokey Bear is available from the Forest Fire Service for local fire prevention programs. Posters and Junior Ranger kits are available for distribution by local fire departments upon request to the Forest Fire Service. Each forest fire warden is expected to carry on a continuous wildfire prevention program within his town or city.

1975 Forest Fire Statistics

	No. of Fires	No. of Acres
State	718	800
District	26	16½
Town	1	1/160
JOHN Q. RICARD District Fire Chief		RICHARD P. CARTER Forest Fire Warden

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

Richard P. Carter — Warden — 1975 expenses	\$ 113.00
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Deputy Wardens:

Louis Delsart	\$ 25.00
Albert Carter	40.00
George Conkey	<u>24.00</u>

89.00

Total Expenses

202.00

Fire Training:

Richard P. Carter	\$ 38.81
Louis A. Delsart	18.70
Albert B. Carter	18.70
Robert Thayer	21.58
George C. Conkey	21.58
Ernest J. Hanley	<u>19.32</u>

Total Training

138.69

Rumney Fire Department protection	\$500.00
Rumney Fire Department	126.00
Canaan Fire Department	<u>308.75</u>

Total

934.75

TOTAL

\$1,275.44

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD P. CARTER
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF RELIEF AGENT

Old Age Assistance None

Town Poor None

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH L. HALL, JR.
Relief Agent

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Performing regular Police Duties, and answering 94 calls and complaints in Town.

Chief Larry H. Walker	\$336.50
Deputy Clyde C. Kimball	54.00
Deputy Ernest E. Marsh, Jr.	<u>24.00</u>

Total Amount Paid to Police as of November 24, 1975	\$ 414.50
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Respectfully submitted,

LARRY H. WALKER
Chief of Police

AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Town Clerk and Trustees of the Trust Funds, find them correctly and properly vouched.

MARY CARROLL ABELL
MATILDA M. ERNST

REPORT OF DORCHESTER CEMETERY COMMITTEE

FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance on Hand from 1974	\$576.23
Received from Trust Funds	80.00
Sale of Lot #9 to Helena Bishop	35.00
Sale of Lot #3 to Henry Weden	50.00
Sale of Lot #27 to Robert and Marilyn Packard	50.00
Received from Selectmen	<u>200.00</u>

S 991.23

Expenses:

Care of Dorchester Cemetery	170.00
Care of North Dorchester Cemetery	15.00
Care of Cheever Cemetery	44.38
Care of Town House Cemetery	51.25
Care of "See-it-All" Cemetery	10.00

Supplies:

Eaton Bros. Corp. — Cemetery Markers	47.30
Bank Charges	<u>.30</u>

338.23

Balance on Hand December 31, 1975

S 653.00

Respectfully submitted,

Dorchester Cemetery Committee
NELLA H. ASHLEY, Chairman
and Treasurer
ERIC P. BERGSTROM
MARTHA L. WALKER

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT ON THE DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

At the 1976 Town Meeting the Dorchester Community Library celebrates its first anniversary as a public institution. The Trustees and their Librarian, Beverly Walker, thank the people of Dorchester who have helped make our first year a good year. You have been generous with your time and with your support.

Since last March the Library has circulated approximately 800 books and magazines. In addition to our own collection of 960 volumes, the Library has had the use of an additional 916 books through the courtesy and cooperation of the New Hampshire State Library Bookmobile. The Library is open to the community on Wednesday evenings; if the need arises for additional hours of service, it will be open for business on Saturday mornings as well.

Again, on behalf of the Trustees and Librarian, thank you for your loyalty and support.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LIBRARY

Balance on hand		\$ 49.19
Receipts:		
4-H	\$ 25.00	
Void check	9.00	
From Selectmen	200.00	
Sale of coins	4.00	
Book sale	108.75	
		<u>346.75</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$395.94
Payments:		
E. Daniel Johnson - N.H.L.T.A. dues	\$ 9.00	
Stamps and envelopes	4.00	
Gaylord Bros. - stool	21.55	
Noyes Insurance - insurance	15.00	
Albert Carter - sign hanger	7.50	
R. P. Johnson - lumber	1.68	
4 Magazine subscriptions	30.38	
Alesco Books - books	151.43	
		<u>240.54</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS		
Cash on hand December 31, 1975		\$155.40

Respectfully submitted, } JOHN P. KING, Chairman
ROBERT W. THAYER
PEGGY M. CARTER

MASCOMA AREA HEALTH COUNCIL
Summary of Services for Town Reports
January 1, 1975 to December 31, 1975

The Council begins its eighth year of service to Canaan, Enfield, Grafton and Orange, and its second year of service to Dorchester, which joined in 1975. Serving a population of about 5,500 in an area covering 200 square miles, the Council's two nurses (each working half time) provide nursing service in the home and a complete health promotion and disease prevention and control program to the 5 communities. During the year 1975 they made a total of 1,700 visits to area residents.

The free Well Child Conferences are now serving 230 preschoolers. Under this program each child regularly receives a full physical exam, all necessary immunizations, blood tests and tests for vision and hearing. Parents are seen with the children, problems are discussed, and if necessary the child is referred for further treatment. The council's nurses make follow up visits when necessary. The Council is also under contract to supervise the health of the children in the Headstart Program, and for any child who cannot see a private physician it provides the physical exam and vision and hearing tests required for entrance to First Grade or Kindergarten.

Preventative dentistry counselling is given parents and children, and free dental clinics are at present offered every six months to all children aged 3 to 6 years who are already enrolled in the Well Child Clinics. Hygienists and equipment are furnished by the State Department of Health, and some funds needed for after care are available from time to time for children aged 3 to 5 in this program.

Nutritionists are available at each clinic, and are also available to adults needing help on dietary matter. Advice on family planning is available from the nurses and from Planned Parenthood in Lebanon.

Over the past several years the Council has sponsored three free "pap" test clinics (with the American Cancer Society); and it has also sponsored two Adult Health Screening Clinics, the last of which was offered this year with substantial help from the Enfield Lions Club.

The Council derives its support from the 5 towns served, each of which contributes annually on the basis of its population, and from fees, Medicare and Medicaid payments, and some funds available from the New Hampshire State Division of Public Health. While it must of necessity set a charge for services other than the free preschool clinics and other free clinic services, the services of the Council are available to everyone, regardless of ability to pay the charge.

Our nurses during the year 1975 were Mrs. Gertrude Clark, R.N. of Grafton, and Mrs. Toni Sadowsky, R.N., of West Lebanon. Mrs. Sadowsky will leave at the end of January, 1976 and will be replaced by Mrs. Susan Schleick of West Canaan. Mrs. Sharron Wheeler, of Enfield, is in charge of all administrative detail of the Council and of its clinics.

The Council is governed by a volunteer board of directors elected from the 5 towns, and its medical policies and practices are supervised by a Medical Advisory Board of area physicians and nurses as well as several volunteers.

The Council maintains its office at Mascoma Valley Regional High School, with its own telephone (632-7234). It is heavily dependent on, and most grateful to, the School and to the Methodist Churches of Canaan and Enfield, which provide space for clinics and meetings. A pamphlet describing the Council's work and services is available on request. Its monthly meetings are open to the public, and visitors and volunteers are welcomed.

MARRIAGES — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1975

Date & Place	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Name of Parents
Oct. 12, 1975 Dorchester, N.H.	George Little Ayres	Dorchester, N. H.	George L. Ayres Joanne Spellenburg
	Margaret Rose Knipfer	Dorchester, N. H.	Richard L. Knipfer Monica Schesky
Nov. 23, 1975 Rumney, N. H.	Albert P. Grigas, Jr.	Rumney, N.H.	Albert P. Grigas Elaine Bouley
	Betty Lou Latuch	Dorchester, N.H.	Joseph Phinney Sylvia Conkey

BIRTHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1975

Date and Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
Jan. 24, 1975 Concord, N.H.	Kelly Louise Marsh	F	Georgianna Mary Roberts	Ernest E. Marsh, Jr.	Vermont	N. H.

DEATHS — TOWN OF DORCHESTER — 1975

Date	Place of Death	Name	Age	Place of Birth	Father's Name Mother's Name
Jan. 28, 1975	Dorchester, N.H.	Bertha B. Decato	53	New Hampshire	Dallas Decato Exzelie Rameor
April 11, 1975	Dorchester, N.H.	Alfred Joseph Bishop	63	Ansonia, Conn.	George Bishop Julia Hanna
Sept. 7, 1975	Laconia, N.H.	Helen Augusta Weden	70	New York	Albert ? Elizabeth
Sept. 28, 1975	Laconia, N.H.	Harry Plumley Dustin	78	Canada	Adelbert Dustin Cora Turner

